

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 19, line 1  
with the following rewritten Abstract:

Abstract of the Disclosure

Tear-off device for sections (48) of a continuous sheet (18)  
with a pullout mechanism (10) for the transport of the continuous  
material (18) and with a tear-off mechanism (12), which has at  
least two pressure-applying elements (26; 56), which are disposed  
on opposite sides of the continuous material (18) and of which at  
least one can be engaged against the continuous material (18) by  
means of a positioning device, characterized in that with the  
engagable pressure-applying elements (26; 56) are being  
constructed as eccentric rollers and can be driven individually  
or jointly.